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When you see 'The Pots' don't pass by on the other side. Give a thought—and a coin, or maybe a bill—to help The Salvation Army in its Christlike work of ministering to the needy.



CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

THE cock crows for Christmas in England; in Italy the bees sing; in the Netherlands the cattle kneel; in Switzerland the sheep go in procession; to the Indians the deer kneels; in the German Alps the cattle have the gift of language given them on Christmas Eve; in Austria candles are put in the windows so that the Christ Child may not stumble as He goes through the village streets on Christmas Eve; in Scandinavia all the shoes in the household are put together on the table, signifying that all members are to live in peace and harmony during the coming year; a bush is also taken by every member of the family on the day before Christmas; in Norway a sheaf of wheat is placed on a pole in front of each house for the birds; in Peru every door of every house is open and hospitality abounds to the stranger as well as to the friend. And so in every land is there a different legend of custom celebrating the Christ's birthday.

CHRISTIANS IN THE HOLY LAND

THE Christians of Jerusalem are very busy on Christmas Eve, and the streets are thronged with people who have come from the most distant parts of the earth to spend Christmas in the Holy Land. The five-mile stretch of dusty road which separates Jerusalem from Bethlehem is crowded with men and women of every nationality, all making their way to the scene of Christ's birth, as did the wise men over this same road.

In the early hours of Christmas morning the Church of the Nativity, in the little town of Bethlehem, is crowded to excess. The entrance to this church is so low that the visitor has to stoop considerably to get in; an arrangement which is said to be for the benefit of the irreverent, who are thus obliged to bow. Within the church, which is supposed to be built over the site of the stable where Joseph and Mary spent that memorable night, there is a silver star in the pavement, with the inscription, 'Here of the Virgin Mary, Jesus Christ was born.'

THE HERALD ANGELS SING

Hark the herald angels sing
'Glory to the new-born King!'
Peace on earth, and mercy mild;
God and sinners reconciled."

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Life and light to all He brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.

Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

FLASHES from the LIGHTHOUSE

SOLDIERS AS WELL AS SAINTS

By Commissioner T. H. Howard

IN contrast with such seasons in recent years, the Song of the Angels at Bethlehem has special significance at this Christmas-time.

The war drums throb no longer,

And the battle flags are furled,

and our eyes are set towards the dawn of Christ's Day of Universal Domination, while many hearts are tuned to respond to the strains heralding the triumphant entry of the Prince of Peace.



My thoughts naturally turn to the realms of religious activity in their relation to the spiritual needs of the people. In connection with the Religious Associations of Christendom the great problem must be approached by a reversal of terms. How to carry the professed followers of Jesus Christ as from a peace to a war basis is the question. In other words, how best can we supplement the enjoyment of the present peace which comes from a sense of the favour of God in the soul by desperate, enthusiastic aggression against the evil forces and practices around us and by efforts to deliver humanity from the enslavements of sin and the Devil? Salvation service needs to be extended into Salvation War, and every Soldier of Jesus should respond to the call.

The peaceful settlement of social conditions is essential to the happiness of the community, and equally, the enjoyments, of the Peace of God and the Fellowship of Saints must be behind all aggressive efforts. But Christians to be content with blessing each other and "building one another up" would spell failure so far as spreading the Kingdom of God is concerned.

The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, nor as the destructive instruments of death until recently employed in the fields of France. They

CYPRESS AND HOLLY

By Frances Ridley Havergal

O CHRISTMAS, merry Christmas!

Is it really come again,
With its memories and greetings,

With its joy and with its pain?
There's a minor in the carol,
And a shadow in the light,
And a spray of cypress twining,
With the holly wreath to-night.

And the hush is never broken
By the laughter light and low,
As we listen in the starlight
To the "bells across the snow."

O Christmas, merry Christmas!

'Tis not so very long
Since other voices blended
With the carol and the song!
If we could but hear them singing

As they are singing now;

If we could but see the radiance
Of the crown on each dear brow;

There would be no sigh to smother,
No hidden tear to flow,
As we listen in the starlight
To the "bells across the snow."

O Christmas, merry Christmas!
This never more can be;

We cannot bring again the days
Of our unshadowed glee.
But Christmas, happy Christmas,
Sweet herald of good will,
With holy songs of glory
Brings holy gladness still;
For peace and hope may brighten

And patient love may glow,
As we listen in the starlight
To the "bells across the snow."

are spiritual, but are none the less mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds. Hence we cannot fail if we but actively take sides against the evil influences around us, and by bold witnessing for Christ, by earnest persuasion, and by loving zeal and kindly service, seek to bring in the day when the Prince of Peace shall live and rule in the hearts and lives of the people and the Kingdom of universal goodwill shall be firmly established upon the earth.

CHRIST MUST BE A SAVIOUR

IF Christ be not a Saviour, then He must ever be a disappointment and the glory of His coming must depart. A great man, a lofty teacher, a splendid example will not meet the case. Christ must be a Saviour if the world's needs are to be met and guilty men be provided with a Redeemer. Tell me Jesus Christ was a great Man and you may interest me. Tell me Jesus Christ was a great Teacher and you may call forth my admiration. Tell me Jesus Christ was a great Example and you may discourage me, because, unaided, I cannot reach the lofty heights of His character. But tell me Jesus Christ is a Saviour and you inspire me with highest hope.

I am a sinner and, above all else, I need a Saviour. This is the glad message of Christmas: "Unto you is born . . . a Saviour."

Well may the bells peal forth their loudest notes!

Well may hope fill the spacious earth around! Well may the whole world ring with praises to our God, for He, in the vastness of His mercy, in the multitude of His grace and in the abundance of His wisdom, has provided for every child of man a Saviour equal to his needs, a match for every weakness and a Redeemer for every sin.

—Commissioner Wm. Peart.

CHRISTMAS GIVING

WITHOUT IT THE DAY IS DEAD THE central thought of Christmas is giving. Unconsciously the spirit of giving has been draped around Christmas as a sacred, symbolic mantle and when, the Divine impulse to give seems to fall upon one from an unseen hand.

There are few words in the human language that more fully describe the Christ than the word "Giver." God is the Giver of every good and perfect gift, and God's infinite gift is Christ; and Christ gave Himself, piece by piece, spiritually, mentally and physically.

The Greatest Giver

What a Giver! All we cherish and prize and enjoy we receive of His bounty; we eat out of His hand; He clothes us with the same materials with which He clothes the lilies; the blue is in our eye, the pink is in our cheeks, the red is on our lips. Our hope by night, our song by day, is only an echo from His heart of love. Our aspirations to do right come to us through the hem of His garment. The bond which binds us together in fellowship, in praying circles, in Christian fellowship, is cemented by His Blood.

The cords of love which reached down from the Throne of Mercy and took hold of the aching heart-strings of a lost world were joined and welded together when the transverse beams of His Cross met.

What a Giver He is! "Poor, yet making many rich."

Brotherly love and affectionate giving are the highest impulses that God has planted in the human heart, the human interpretation of the greatest commandment—ever given to man: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and thy neighbor as thyself."

If Christ Be Not There!

But when the holy season of Christmas—the anniversary of the gift of God's Son—is prostituted to a time of feasting the sensual appetites of the flesh, and the song of the herald angels is reduced to a parody of meaningless songs and pastime performances, and the white Star that illuminated the first Christmas is made to adorn the walls and bespangle the halls of sport and pleasure for the amusement of empty hearts and minds, and when the amusement of empty hearts and minds, and when the sublime announcement of the incarnation of the Son of God finds only a joking, hilarious echo on the lips of youth and manhood, and when the sacred curtains of holy thought have no remembrance save the bit of holly and dead tree, and the giving of many gifts is prompted by a desire to receive an equivalent in return or a desire to obtain favor, or to sell one's soul, then, oh, then—when the Christ-spirit has departed from the heart, and the guest of the first Christmas is no longer the guest of to-day, how empty is that holy season, how hollow, how disappointing! What a nameless longing this Christmas will bring to hearts and homes if Christ be not there!

—Lieut.-Commissioner Gifford.

The Emperor Charlemagne was crowned in Rome on Christmas Day, 800.

William the Conqueror was crowned King of England in Westminster Abbey on Christmas Day, 1066.

During the Christmas season in the year 1620, the Pilgrim Fathers landed in New England, America, and founded their first colony.



YOU SHOULD READ SALVATION ARMY BOOKS

THE books of The Salvation Army are none too widely read. The reason for this is not far to seek. They are none too widely known. Then, too, while covering a wide range of subjects, they are so distinct in their character as to lead many to suppose that they possess little or no charm.

This is a colossal mistake. The books of The Salvation Army possess charm entirely wanting in many volumes, which are considered classics. It must, of course, be admitted that there is no striving for eloquence on the part of Salvation Army writers; nor is literary style allowed to detract the mind from the relation of fact; and there is certainly no diving into the realms of fiction in order to make the printed story interesting; but none the less, there can be found upon The Salvation Army book-shelf a host of volumes which in one way or another stand out amongst the most wonderful publications of our day.

In a wide diversity of subjects presented nearly everything from the Bible to the big Drum has been enlarged upon in one or other of the volumes issued from The Army Press. The writers are as varied as their work, but however much they differ in many other things they are all alike in one particular, they know what they are writing about, and without exception have a deep heart experience which gives point to the words they pen and brings home to the heart of the reader the truths of which they write.

While many, indeed most of the Salvation Army books have been written by Salvationists, there has arisen a growing number of outside writers, realizing the wealth of material lying at hand, have chosen the work of The Salvation Army and have described it to the astonishment of many in the book-reading world.

It is not possible to point to any one book and say that therein may be found the full story of The Salvation Army work. That work is so vast and so many-sided that no one book, however big, will do much more than touch upon salient points of it. At the same time it can be said with certainty that no one can read and take in the contents of any one volume without realizing a desire to read more from the same source. In not a few instances it is known that the chance opening of an Army volume has led to its subsequent considered reading, the outcome of it being a life-long appreciation of what the book was written.

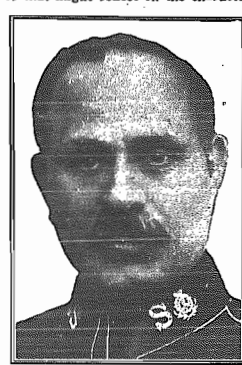
It cannot be too strongly emphasized that the books of The Salvation Army possess an interest not only for members of the organization, but for all who name the name of Christ no matter to what denomination they belong, and we go further and claim that quite apart from the question of religion the great bulk of the books on The Army bookshelves will arouse an interest and warm the heart of any one who will be at the trouble to give any one of them a little thoughtful consideration.

Watch this column for special book reviews

OUR WEEKLY SERMONETTE DEEDS AND WORDS

A NEW READING OF AN OLD MOTTO
By COMMISSIONER JEFFRIES, International Training Principal

GOD has endowed us with the power of speech. Have we rendered to God this wonderful gift He has given us? Is the fruit of our lips sanctified to God? Have you made a covenant with your lips that they shall never say a word that is not true, that has any evil in it, that would hurt anybody, or that might reflect on the character of another?



can be a curse. Put an "S" at the beginning of "words" and what does it make? Swords! And that is what some people's words are—swords which cut and hurt.

Be Fruitful
St. Paul, writing to the Colossians, urges them to be fruitful in every good work; not only to be fruitful in words, but in deeds. One of my favorite mottoes—I have got it up on the wall somewhere—is "Deeds: Not Words." If I had the re-making of that motto I would write, "Deeds and Words"—and make them agree. You know the tree by its fruits. I could not tell an apple or a plum tree unless I saw the fruit, but I can tell them. So can you tell a man by what he does.

Oh, to have words and actions that agree in a sanctified life! It is a high standard, but I believe it is possible for every man to attain to it. Still, even with a sanctified experience, you may make mistakes sometimes.

There was a man working for me when I was in another part of the world, when you could not trust to me upon a column of figures. If a statement was brought to me, I always asked, "Who got it out?" If he did, I would reply, "Someone check it." But he was a saint of God. I am not saying that you will not make any mistakes and muddles and get into all kinds of trouble for want of ability or through ignorance, but you should be able to say: "So far as I have knowledge and power and wisdom, I do all to the glory of God, and am fruitful in every good work."

There are some striking stories in the Bible of people whose words were proved by their deeds.

Jesus accepted that standard for Himself. In effect, He said: "If I do not the works of My Father, do not believe Me. I am willing to be judged by that standard. I want you to believe in Me; your Salvation depends upon your believing in Me, and if you won't believe on account of what I say, believe Me because of My works; judge Me by My fruits."

Can we justify ourselves and our profession of our religion by our fruits? Is it all word, and talk, and profession, and outside show? Or do our deeds justify the profession we make?

Paul said to the Ephesians that the fruits of the Spirit were goodness, righteousness and truth. Goodness is not something I do, but something I am. When the Spirit of God finds us we are wicked, our natures depraved, our minds corrupted. He finds us worldly and carnal, but when we yield ourselves to Him, He makes the bad good—He transforms by the renewing of our mind. He alters the character of man or woman by the process we call the new birth. We are made by the Spirit of God. The fruit of the Spirit in a wicked man is his transformation into a good man.

Righteousness is something that we do. When the Spirit of God makes a man good, he does right. Has the Spirit made you good? If so, you will take the next step; the fruit of the Spirit is righteousness. A man who willfully and habitually does anything that is not right and straight and honorable may be a professor, but he does not know by personal experience anything about the Spirit of God.

One or the Other

You cannot have sweet and bitter water out of a fountain at the same time; it must be one or the other. So, if you have been made good by the Spirit of God you will do right. Goodness comes first, righteousness afterwards, because you are good. A man who does wrong in a bad man; there is no sense in calling him good unless he does what is good.

The third fruit of the Spirit is truth. The Bible talks about "truth in the inward parts." We can only see and judge a man by his actions; still a man may do a right action and have an evil heart. A man can say "God bless you" with his lips and curse you with his heart. But a man who is controlled by the Spirit of God will bring forth fruit which is not only right in action, but true in the heart, in the inward parts; that is Bible teaching. When a man has yielded himself to the Spirit of God, and has made good, and kept good to the very foundations of his heart, then we can say he has a Full Salvation. Have you that?

A WORLD WITHOUT CHRIST!

WE STAND AGHAST AT THE THOUGHT

Had He
Not Come—

We should have no hospitals
We should have no schools
We should have no Churches
We should have no philanthropy
We should have no Brotherhoods
WE SHOULD HAVE NO SAVIOUR

THINK OF THIS—AND THANK GOD FOR CHRISTMAS



YOUR DUTY - ARE YOU DOING IT?

DUTY is defined as being something that one is bound by obligation to do, and generally speaking is regarded as being harsh and forbidding; something, in fact, that one is forced to do. Very likely Commissioner Howard had this idea in mind when he invented the epigram, which, on the wings of song, has gone round the world—"By the pathway of duty flows the river of God's grace." A cartoonist has interpreted it as a youth struggling up a narrow gloomy pathway, between rugged hills, but the weariness occasioned by heat and toil is removed by the fresh foaming river that flows down, and whose cooling waters can be secured by faith and prayer.

Duty is also generally associated with another characteristic—which is, that duty well performed brings its reward. In his ode to the great Duke of Wellington, whose body lies in the crypt of St. Paul's, Tennyson wrote this truth:

"Not once or twice in our rough island story,
The path of duty was the way to glory."

In the cartoon, the traveler is depicted as seeing in the clouds the glories of the New Jerusalem. Let us also look away from our forbidding surroundings to the reward of duty, and take cheer from the river of God's grace.

Each of us has a duty to perform to those who are near and dear to us—that is to win them for God. That those who are most closely tied to each other by flesh and blood can be as wide apart as the poles in their views, especially in matters of religion, is very well known, so that of the members of one family who are saved, and some be lost. But it is obviously our duty to do what we can to save our loved ones, even to the extent of pulling them out of the fire. May we do our duty in this regard, no matter what it may cost.

IF NOT—WHY NOT?

WE have a few questions to ask. We would answer them, too. But we will leave them for others to answer.

If you were sick, and sad, and lonely, and wanted comfort and cheer, would you send to a card party, or a theater, or a ball, or a dancing party for some one to come to you? If not, why not?

If you were an unsaved sinner, and wanted some one to pray with you and show you the way to Jesus for pardon and peace, would you send for worldly, dancing, card-playing, theater-going, pleasure-loving nominal Christian? If not, why not?

A man died the other day in a prayer-meeting. Another one died in the pulpit. Would you not rather die in a ball room, or in a theater, or at a card party, with gay wriddlings around you? If not, why not?

Jesus is coming some of these days, "in such an hour as ye think not." Would you like to have Him find you with the dancers, the card-players, the theater-goers, the gay, heedless throng when He comes? If not, why not?

—Sent in by Lieut. Coles, Regina II.

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A PRAYER

We praise Thee, O Lord God, for
the gift of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, as
the Saviour of the world. Grant that
the true meaning of His coming to
earth may, by the aid of the Holy
Spirit, be borne in upon the hearts
in the minds of the people as they cele-
brate Christmas, and may they see to
it that, so far as they and their fel-
lows are concerned, Jesus shall not
have lived and died in vain. Hear us
for His Name's sake. Amen.

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HENRY C. HODDER,

Commissioner.

NOTICE

The Christmas issue of the
"War Cry", which is already cir-
culating, takes the place of our
regular edition for next week.
This will give "The Young Sol-
dier" an unusually good oppor-
tunity to find its way into a
greater number of homes. Offi-
cers and Comrades are therefore
requested, or may we write,
urged, to do all possible to in-
crease the circulation, and thus
the influence, of this bright little
paper for the young.



The Fall Congresses

OUR Fall Congresses finished in a blaze of triumph. Introduced
in brilliant style in Winnipeg, substantially muddled in Edmonton,
the series concluded in Vancouver which provided a memorable
finale.

Seasons of blessing, indescribably rich and personal, were ex-
perienced. Veterans had to travel deep into memory to discover
gatherings equal in power, blessing, instruction and results. Smiles
and tears blended in fine accord. The fountains of the deep were
opened, but the irrepressible vein of sanctified merriment which is
a cherished characteristic of Salvationists was in happy evidence.
Again and again 'The Mercy Seat' was lined with seekers, and issues,
tremendous and vital, were faced and settled 'in the spirit.'

Crowds, as extraordinary in character as in size, flocked to
the public meetings. A goodly proportion of new people were attracted,
and many of them entered into a new revelation. That the simple,
direct message of The Salvation Army retains its power and appeal
was demonstrated in an impressive manner and telling indeed were
the victories won.

Special mention should be made of the musical side of the gath-
erings. The Commissioner introduced several new choruses which
'caught on.' To Officers and comrades of the far west must be
awarded the palm for speediest learning. Given, the 'once over'
choruses were sung as though known for years, but they added a
fresh, inspiring, blessed touch to the meetings. In each centre a
musical festival was held. That they were crowd-attractors goes
without saying. Winnipeg Citadel was packed to the doors and many
people were unable to gain admission; the First Baptist Church,
secured for the event in Edmonton, though not taxed to capacity
limit, held an excellent congregation which was introduced to a pro-
gram of first class merit, and Vancouver Citadel was packed to excess
for the final event of the musical trio. In each case the Com-
missioner presided and Colonel Unsworth by his truly memorable
and applicable addresses not only roused all present to a high pitch
of enthusiasm and portrayed, with vivid touch, the ministry of sanc-
tified music and song, but described, in graphic fashion, how mem-
bers of our world-girdling orchestra are bringing glory to God and
cheer to multitudes by the efficient use of the sacred musical gifts
entrusted to them. His references to his association with the first
Band of The Salvation Army, also its first Staff Band, as well as to
his acquaintance with the unforgettable service of what is conceded to
have been The Army's most wonderful Band—The Ambulance Band,
evoked considerable applause as well as provided something
in the nature of light on the evolution of Army Bands.

That our Territorial Leaders would rise to their opportunities was
a foregone conclusion. If anything were needed to seal their appoint-
ment—and we know of nothing—the Congresses provided that some-
thing. With minds illuminated by the Holy Spirit and charged by
comprehensive preparation their council presentations were of a high
quality. No time was wasted on 'pastries,' the meals were composed of
direct nourishment, and as the gatherings slipped into memory one was
conscious of an increasing glow of spiritual health and mental strength-
ening. We have previously suggested that all present soared higher
into the presence of the Living God and became conscious of a quick-
ened realization of the Sacred task to which they have been called
and have dedicated their lives.

What shall we say about Colonel Unsworth? Known to many
as a name only, he entered right into the inner circle of the affections
of Officers and Soldiers in Canada West. He radiated cheer by his
presence, added inspiration by the driving urge of his utterances,
and broadened the vision by his word pictures of Salvation service
in many lands. His missionary lecture was designated one of the
most comprehensive presentations of its kind listened to by a western
audience. With rare skill he unfolded both the ministry and majesty
of practical Christianity, and as a lady of note was heard to observe
at Vancouver 'he showed the pure spirit as well as the mighty power
of Christianity.' Truly it may be said that the Colonel's presence
amongst us was a benediction.

The last note of the Congresses has been struck. Not in a
minor key as for something that is dead, but born in the heat of
spiritual exhilaration it sounded out reveille—nay, a higher and
grander command still, it has sounded the signal to advance, and we
are forward in the struggle, the enemy is retreating and from his
clutches we are snatching men, women and children whom he has
enslaved. We are heart and soul into the 'One Soul and One Soldier'
Campaign!

YOUR GIFT TO GOD

A Personal Reminder

CHRISTMAS is the season of unself-
ishness, and purest joy and satis-
faction arise from the thinking, help-
ing, and blessing of others. Therefore it
is that The Salvation Army again
offers a ready channel for the prac-
tical expression of that true charity
which springs from love to God and
love to our fellow-creatures. As the
Great Father has blessed you, so we
ask that you will give something
which can be passed on to those in
need, sorrow or distress.

Army activities are wider than ever.
The aged, the suffering, the
prisoners, the wronged, the friendless,
the little children, are still in elen-
gic and affectionate concern. Its Social
Wings are engaged night and
day in holding out, in the
Name of Jesus Christ, the
Helping Hand. But all this costs
money—more money than ever you
can help us! We believe you will!
And God will bless you! The ap-
pended Coupon will facilitate the send-
ing of your gift, which, be it large
or small, will be gratefully received
and devoted to the work of alleviation
and mercy.

TO HELP THE NEEDY

I am glad to send you a spe-
cial Christmas gift of : :
for The Army's great Social and
Relief Work.

Name

Address

Please send this with your gifts to
Commissioner Hodder, 317-319 Carlton
Street, Winnipeg.

COLLEGEAGERS

By New Scribe

WE regret to report the sudden ill-
ness of Cadet Dove whose con-
dition warranted immediate removal
to the hospital where an operation was
performed. Latest reports from the
doctors, however, indicate that the Ca-
det is now out of the danger zone.
The colds and coughs are prevalent in this
frosty weather, but the ever vigilant
Side Officers are quick to meet all
attacks.

Many opportunities for "personal
dealing" cross the pathway of Cadets
when "Cry" "booming." One lady, buy-
ing a Christmas number, spoke warm-
ly of the work of our beloved Army,
and the wide awake boomer spoke of
the necessity for a personal knowledge
of Salvation. Tears came to the wo-
man's eyes and she asked the lassie to
"step inside." After a few more
words they knelt together and with
"broken and contrite heart" the re-
pentant soul sought the "Lamb of
God" who takes away the sin of the
world." Praise God.

The selling of the Christmas "Cry"
is engaging our energies. We are
glad to report sales are going well.
Two Cadets visited a large Col-
lege in the city, and to their dismay
found themselves trespassing and on
the wrong side of the house. They
were kindly but firmly shown the door
by the Matron. "All's well that ends
well," they were made up for the
mistake by doing good business
amongst the men students!

During visitation two lad Cadets
found a dear woman whose son was a
victim of the recent fire at St. Ben-
dict's. They were privileged to enter
the home and there spoke of One who
"hath borne our grief and carried our
sorrows." Prayer was then offered for
the bereaved ones at the request of
the mother.

Several answers to prayer have been
received at the College. One Cadet
rejoices over the conversion of a sis-
ter, while yet another is gladdened
with news of his mother's recovery
from a serious illness. Truly the
prayer of the righteous availeth much.

Christmas Experience and Practice

By THE GENERAL

THE coming of Jesus Christ, and His taking to Himself of our flesh and blood, began a new, a most remarkable experience for the world.

It was, in a certain way, a new experience for the Divine Son Himself. This is indeed what we celebrate at Christmas. It is this which fills us with joy. Inasmuch as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, He also Himself likewise partook of the same. He was born into our conditions. He was a helpless babe; clothed and nursed and brought up as a babe; and then as a child, and then He became a working man. All this is very wonderful, and it never loses its wonder and its charm—God made to be Man!

He held the highest place above,
Adorned by Sons of flame,
And such His self-denying love,
He laid aside His crown
To seek the lot at any cost
Of Heavenly rank and earthly fame,

He sought us, Blessed be His Name!

But His coming was something more than this. It was, as I have said, a new experience for the world. It opened the way for the realization of that new experience in human life as a whole—but it likewise brought near to every individual soul the promise of a share for itself in the experience. Our religion is, in its promise, universal; but our experience of it is personal. It is for all, but it is for each.

And these two facts strengthen one another. The promise to all supports the experience in the individual, and the experience of the individual supports the promise to all. The wide and glorious promise of Salvation by the life and death of the Babe of Bethlehem reaches out to the utmost limits of human sin and sorrow; but the proof of that promise is seen in its glad and conquering fulfilment in the experience of each believing soul. We know by an inward assurance that it must be possible for all, because we know by an inward assurance that it is possible for us—that it is in very truth ours, yes—"we have heard Him ourselves, and know..."

The knowledge that this experience is ours gains force and joy because we see how the same grand deliverance is promised to all, and because we perceive that what we now realize and feel multitudes of others who have believed have also realized and felt. Salvation for us is made more real, more splendid, more triumphant because we see that the door by which we entered into Life is in actual fact wide open to all who will obey the call. Hallelujah! "We believe, not because of thy saying"—or of any saying of another—"for we have heard Him ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ."

Oh, my dear reader, has He spoken to you?
—have you heard Him?—have you stopped

amid the turmoil of this passing time to hearken to His voice?—have you waited to hear His word of life for your soul? If not, will you do it now, this very Christmas, in this happy season? If you will you shall surely have this same personal, inviolate experience of His power for yourself. And then, knowing it, by the Blood of the Lamb and the powers of the Holy Ghost, you will say with us, and with those people of old, that you also "know

bring—enters into everyday affairs. It is for the kitchen and the nursery, as well as for the temple and the great assembly. It is for the factory and the pit, just as much as for the Church or the Citadel. We see this in Jesus Christ's own teaching. We see it in the effect of the teaching of His disciples. We see it also in the teaching of Paul, who perhaps had clearer and more vivid ideas of what Jesus was and what He would do for us than had any of the other apostles.

Paul realized, too, the great importance of the promise that Jesus will come again—he continually lifted his own thoughts and the thoughts of his converts to that grand and glorious day when the Crucified shall Himself come back in outward form, but in majesty and power, and gather His own to Himself.

But both as to the first coming in humiliation in the stable at Bethlehem and in the future coming in His Glory, Paul wanted nothing which takes away our attention from everyday religion, from obedient faith and service, from humble duty done, from daily love shed forth. And so he says:

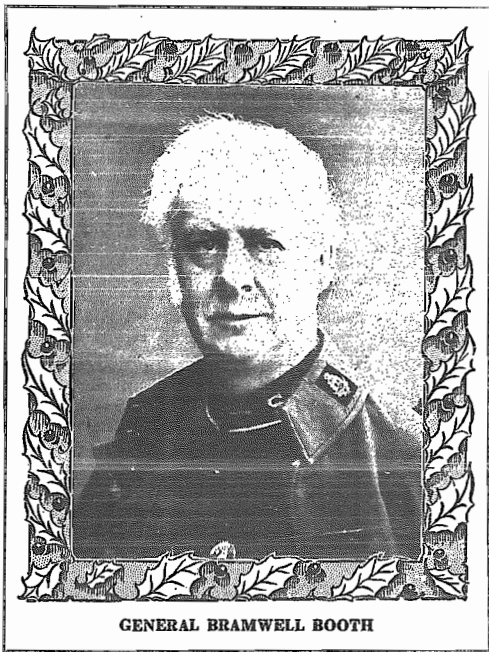
"Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him. That ye be not soon shaken in mind, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

"... but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more; And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you: That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing..."

So that Jesus Christ's coming at that first Christmas-time is for us not only a new inward experience of the Divine—of the supernatural—of the conquering—of the holy—of the Heavenly; it is also a new order of life, giving a new purpose to the humblest and simplest as well as the greater things—bringing a new power for duty, a new force to win the battle against

the world, the flesh, and the Devil. Never forget that the tenderness of the Babe, the sympathy of the Divine Man, lend always to the law of Holiness and to the sacrifice of self for the Salvation of others.

Then we shall show to all that we believe, not because of this saying and that, but because we have heard Him ourselves and know that He is the Saviour of the world. If we believe that He is relying upon us to show ourselves boldly on His side and to do battle for Him, we shall turn away from all the vain controversies that are found in the religious world just as certainly as we turn away from the shop windows of the world of fashion.



GENERAL BRAMWELL BOOTH

that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world."

But this holy experience was not intended to stop with those who enjoy it. Its mighty fruits were to be seen in its influence on others—in the most practical things of everyday life. Jesus Christ came into everyday life in everyday fashion—a Babe—a Child—a Workman—a Servant—a Friend of sinners—a Lover of little children—a Man of troubles and sorrows—a Man of prayer and faith—One who learned obedience by the very things He suffered.

So the wonderful, personal experience of holy things and of Divine power over sin which He came to bring—which He was born to

THE COMMENCEMENT

WEDNESDAY P.M., NOVEMBER 22nd.

By Envoy George Flaek

It was with eager and prayerful expectation we attended the opening Meeting of the 1922 Congress in Vancouver. For weeks this gathering had been on our prayer list, for we were anxious that from start to climax the series of special Meetings should reach a high level mark of all round excellence. We were not disappointed. God was with us from the onset in power, inspiration and revelation, and glorious results were registered at the Mercy Seat.

How impressive was our Commissioner's unfolding of the message entrusted to him. What complete understanding of our needs and how our hearts warmed to him. Following him we entered the presence of Essentials of Salvationism and Soldier-ship. We were made to recognize, in a manner out of the common, the task to which we have pledged our lives, and the Spirit of the Lord descended upon us in a mighty outpouring.

Most hearty was the welcome accorded to Colonel Unsworth. His testimony to the possession of the Blessing of Full Salvation was very direct, and the

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confident note which he struck concerning the possibility of all being able to enter into it, was especially effective. How stirring, too, was his telling of how he was able to lead his father into this rich experience. We thank God for such men as the Colonel!

Lead "higher up the mountain" by the wonderful influences of this Meeting, we put on record our determination to be better Soldiers and better fighters, more intense in our prayerfulness so that our city will benefit. We will carry the influence of our special council into all our efforts during the Winter Campaign.

THURSDAY EVENING

By Envoy T. H. Collier

All who had the privilege of attending the Council, open to Officers, Local Officers, Bandmen and Songsters and conducted by our Territorial Leaders on Thursday, November 23rd, in Vancouver, were richly rewarded, for it was a season mighty in blessing and instruction.

The Field Secretary lined out the old song "Oh how happy are they who the Saviour obey," putting special emphasis on the word "Obey," and it im-

Have you won your One ?

pressed me that any one not living in perfect obedience must have, at once, realized the cause of their unhappiness and consequent failure.

That "was a splendid chorus: "My faith looks up to Thee": sing before our Commissioner gave us that magnificent soul-stirring talk on the need of "Perseverance in our work" and the all important qualification necessary to success, "The Spirit of Prayer." Surely no one could listen and take in the truths uttered and the apt illustrations of the Commissioner without being inspired. Truly it was a soul feast to both old and young.

Our international visitor, Colonel Unsworth, plotted the Prayer Meeting and a score or more, mostly young people, sought God for Sanctification or power for service, several offering themselves as Candidates.

I would not like to say this was the best session of this kind I ever attended in over 35 years experience, but I will say it was one of the best. Every one must have gone away satisfied that our Leaders are desperately in earnest for the Salvation of the people and making them into FIGHTING SOLDIERS.

Make the Seeker into a Soldier

MUSICAL FESTIVAL

By Adjutant Russell Clarke

The Meetings held in the early days of The Salvation Army must have been nothing short of wonderful. Something of the wonder was experienced in this country thirty-five years ago when the baptism of the Holy Ghost fell upon all present.

WESTERN FALL CONGRESSES INCLUDE in BRITISH COMMISSIONER and MRS. HODDER conducting Public Events and Meetings. Councils—Their appointment was acclaimed and gloriously sealed. Colonel Unsworth worthily represents International Headquarters and presents one of the most captivating missionary lectures ever heard in Western Canada

It would, however, be difficult to imagine more Spirit-filled gatherings than those we have just passed through under the leadership of our new Commissioners.

The Spirit that permeated the Councils was most evident in the Musical Festival Saturday night. Vancouver Citadel was filled, even to every available corner, and a well arranged program was greatly enjoyed. If it is to mention a selection or march by the Citadel or other Corps Bands of the city or of Westminster, or the concertina solo by Adjutant Merritt, cornet solo by Captain Halsey, vocal selection by Officers' choir, or vocal duet by Ensign Laycock and Captain Haynes, or solos by Captain Irwin or Mrs. Adjutant Clarke, one word covers each—splendid! And each received a full measure of appreciation.

The applause that greeted our Commissioner's introduction of Colonel Unsworth was, we think, understood by the Colonel. We shall not soon forget the word pictures so graphically

Every Soldier a Saver

drawn as the speaker followed the career of Army Bands from their inception in his own home Corps—Consett, Durham—to their present standing.

The Festival was brought to a close by our Commissioner and as we filed out of the Citadel we thanked God for The Army, its Leaders, and the ministry of music.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON IN THE 'EM'PRESS'

By Correspondent George Allan

No sooner were the doors of the Empress Theatre opened than the people began to take their seats. It quickly became apparent that there would be a full house. I happened to get a seat where I could command a view of both platform and audience and it is not too much to say that at some time in their experience, the vast majority of those gathered were people to whom The Army in one way or another had been a blessing.

The most casual observer could not help being impressed by the air of expectancy and of appreciation of the object of the Meeting. One more thing about this large and enthusiastic audience, I was greatly impressed by the large percentage of young people, and perhaps I ought to say also of the very youthful appearance of people of "middle age"—but then, the fact that this is a young country, coupled with the spirit of Salvationism which I have heard called "perpetual rejuvenation," should have prepared me for the sight.

The object of the gathering, however, was the presentation of a lecture by Colonel Unsworth on "Glimpses of Missionary Life in Many Lands." Professor Klinck, president of the University, was chairman for the afternoon, and he filled this office admirably. His reception was enthusiastic, and his brief address was a further illustration of the better understanding that exists today regarding the work and aims of The Army. So well informed was he that one was liable to think he had been present at most of the sessions of the Congress. He was supported by several leading men of the city.

Many of us had already had a taste of the Colonel's humor and pathos, (Continued on Column 5)

SUNDAY'S MEETINGS IN VANCOUVER

Strenuous Battles in Glorious Victory

WHAT shall we say of Sunday's great meetings? From beginning to end—a day of triumphant victory. The day began with morning prayer held early in the morning at the different Corps and attended by visiting Officers who reinforced the city Comrades in bombarding the Kingdom of Satan with eager and persistent petitions.

Coming, as the gatherings did, at the conclusion of the gracious seasons of blessing experienced during the Officers', Soldiers' and Local Officers' Councils, they constituted a means of outlet to the spiritual energy so generously stored up. Blessing after blessing were now to be transformed into spiritual action, and vigorous assault on the powers of darkness. The Holiness Meeting held in No. 1 Citadel, at 10 o'clock, revealed secrets to many a heart yearning for closer and more blessed contact. The time of hallowed communion during which the blessed spirit revealed secrets to many a heart yearning for closer and more blessed contact. The time of hallowed communion during which the blessed spirit revealed secrets to many a heart yearning for closer and more blessed contact.

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attention on looking from her bedroom window when rising in the morning. A simple and majestic scene from the Citadel Band was in harmony with the spirit of the Meeting, and the Commissioner's closing address, dealing with temptation and its relation to holiness, led many into the light. Eight speakers stepped into a higher life. The Empress Theatre was engaged specially for the afternoon and evening Meetings and the crowds attending surpassed expectations. No. 11 Band discoursed music before the afternoon gathering while the people made their way into the building. Other Bands in attendance were the Citadel Band and also No. 111. The Bands united for the opening song. Professor L. S. Kinck, President of the B. C. University, introduced by the Commissioner, made known the fact that the occasion was a unique one inasmuch as it was his first attendance at an Army Meeting. He heartily endorsed the good work The Army and subsequently called on Colonel Unsworth to give his lecture. Scintillating with life, pathos and humor the Colonel's lecture on Missionary Lands held the attention of all. Without a doubt many heard things in connection with The Army's Missionary operations which they had never heard before. W. H. Malkin, Esq., one of the leading business men of Vancouver who had just returned from a world tour, gave a hearty vote of thanks, and stated, that in the countries he had recently visited he had noted with satisfaction the Flag of Salvation flying in the breeze. A selection of music of a very high order

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and were therefore not unprepared for what followed after his introduction by the Chairman. As he unfolded his story of The Army's doings, including some of his own experiences in India, Africa, Java and other countries, the audience was, without exaggeration, spell-bound; the spell being broken from time to time by applause. One of the most hearty outbursts greeted his statement about Commissioner Booth-Tucker being presented to the King and receiving recognition for services rendered to the Empire in India.

The Rev. Dr. Henderson, one of the leading Presbyterian ministers, and Mr. W. H. Malkin, one of the merchant princes moved and seconded respectively, a vote of thanks to the Colonel, and in doing so showed remarkable knowledge of the inside workings of The Army and their appreciation of its services.

A noticeable feature in all such gatherings where public men are taking part is the reference made to Army Bands; making it evident

No 'let-up' in our Crusade

that the splendid service rendered by our musical Comrades is a considerable feature in the life of all communities where The Army holds forth.

IMPRESSIONS

By Adjutant James Merritt

ONE of the impressions made upon my mind and heart by the Congress Meetings in Vancouver was the sense of security. There seemed to be such a serene confidence in our Leaders during the first gatherings, making everyone feel that they were God-called, God-sent and that God would use them in His own good pleasure to win Canada West for Christ. I had a feeling somewhat akin to that experienced by the Captain of a vessel which had been storm-tossed. On nearing the harbor he was glad to see the pilot boat set off. Then the pilot climbed onto the deck of his ship, and he felt "all is well, the pilot is on board."

Then again, I received an impression of the sense of method. Our Leaders seemed to know what they wanted and went the nearest way to get the results. All the frills were cut out; everything which was a side issue was dropped. We kept to the main track all the time and arrived in every Meeting. No aimless meandering, no labored addresses, but a positive aim and a positive goal every time.

Then there was the spirit of it all. That was indefinable, yet glorious in its character and uplifting in its power. The spirit of consecration lives in consecrated service.

God grant that the impressions may not prove to have been sketched by passing emotion on the shifting sands of memory, but impressed by the finger of God and graven on our hearts.

By Captain Ada Irwin

THE keynote of our Congress gatherings can be summed up in one word "POSSIBILITIES." There is, however, a sense in which even a thousand words cannot commence to tell what these Meetings have meant and will mean to all privileged to be present.

ent—but to our hearts has come again a vision of WHAT WE MAY BE by the Power of God working within us.

We came thirsty and we have had our thirst quenched. We came hungry and to us has the Bread of life been broken afresh. We came seeking to know just wherein we had lacked in the past, and the Blessed Holy Spirit came to our hearts revealing just our individual needs and then, heart after heart, acknowledged its needs—He came, cleansing, refilling, recharging and accepting again for more complete obedience and greater service than ever. Hallelujah!

Not only have we been brought into closer touch with our God Himself, but it has been our joy to listen to our Leaders again and to realize more fully than before that in a very real sense God has sent them to us and they are ours and we theirs, bound by the invisible but unbreakable bonds of His Love. The invigorating presence of our General's own representative from International Headquarters, Colonel Unsworth, and the many incidents he unfolded of Salvation Army activities in many lands has made us lift up our heads and feel prouder than ever to be even a small part of an organization which God has so wonderfully owned and blessed even in the uttermost parts of the earth.

What we have been is not what counts now, but

Faith without works is dead

what we may be as Soldiers of Our Lord Jesus Christ and as Salvationists—By His Grace!

By Captain Edgar Halsey

I HAVE not been privileged to attend many Congresses, but this one in Vancouver has been the best yet. At the very commencement one was made to feel at ease by the natural and gentle manner of our new Commissioners. How their hearts seemed to reach out after every Officer! Then we feel we have a real father and mother. How their sympathy went out to those Officers who are fighting in lonely, far off places.

Nobody could have attended these soul-stirring meetings without receiving an impetus to do and dare in the One Soul, One Soldier's Campaign. Let us pray that every Soldier will catch the idea as we feel every Officer has.

Nothing could have been more inspiring than the presence and words of Colonel Unsworth. How our minds were broadened by his stirring addresses. Truly the spirit of The Army gets into one's very bones when we see and hear a man like the Colonel.

This Congress has been a Bethel to the soul of every one privileged to attend. The fire has been kindled afresh. My prayer to God is, "May it not die out in me."

Pray, but don't stop work

By Captain A. Coleman

AFTER weeks of praying, planning and expectancy we have actually passed through the Fall Congress in Vancouver. We came from one of the most northern points of the beautiful province of British Columbia—Prince Rupert. In that city of the great northwest Salvation Army uniform is not seen apart from our own or that worn by some visiting Officer. Our "Open-Air" is usually a dust with the drum for accompaniment. Realize this and you will get the measure of our anticipation of "The Big Thing."

In the first Meeting of the Congress we knew that our expectations of the Congress were likely to be realized, for it was evident that faith was running high for a season of uplift and inspiration. That glowing faith was gloriously justified. The revelation of His Word which came to me through His servants will live long in my heart. I feel inspired with fresh courage and a more fervent devotion to the cause for which the great old Army was raised.

One could not help being impressed with the spirit of our new Leaders. Right through the Congress they evinced the deep spirit of love and sympathy. It is this spirit which has accomplished more for the world than any social reform, or rules, or regulations.

Soldiers are fighters, not ornaments

That spirit will work wonders in this western Territory of ours! The Congress seemed to reveal the need for more of that spirit—yes, and it also brought the individual into the place where that need could be, yes, and was, supplied. To God be all the praise! (Continued on page 8)



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EDITORIAL REVIEW

COMMISSIONER Sowton recently gave an address in the Massey Hall, Toronto to the delegates gathered for the International Convention of the World League Against Alcoholism. His subject was "The Salvation Army and the Prohibition Movement." It was a masterly presentation of The Army's attitude on this vital question and the most informative review of what the Organization is doing throughout the world, not only in fighting the drink, but in regenerating the individual and forming public opinion on the side of righteousness.

Opening Windsor Hospital
The unavoidable delay in opening the Windsor, Ont., Hospital has now been overcome and the ceremony is definitely announced to be performed on Wednesday, December 13th, by His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton will, of course, be present.

Passing of Valued Friend
With the passing of Mr. E. S. Beer of Hespeler, The Army loses an old and valued friend. A Methodist in denomination, Mr. Beer, a broad-minded and big-hearted, always looking for the best in men, and ever anxious to bring it out. His sympathy with the Work of The Salvation Army was as practical as it was warm, and on two occasions in recent years he was chairman of our Drives. To his aged mother and his two sisters and his brothers, the warmest sympathy is extended.

Impressive Record
London, Ont., Industrial Department, Under Envoy and Mrs. Lamport, continues to forge ahead. In addition to sales in the store of goods for a trifling cost to the poor, they have distributed during the year, free of cost, 1,500 garments valued at \$5,000.00, 100,000 lbs. of bread and 300 pairs of boots. One hundred and seventy-five families received fruit and vegetables and four hundred and twenty-five families were given clothing, also seventy-five families were given furniture and twelve homes were completely furnished.

Saved to Save
In a recent meeting at the Temple, Toronto, a man testified who had been released from Langstaff jail at 5 p.m., and had gone straight home for his wife and brought her to the Meeting, and stated that two months ago he had got converted in jail. He had been a great sinner but had found a great saviour, and desired his wife to also find the same great gift of Salvation. He was the first to come to the Mercy Seat.

Busy Social Service
The Toronto Industrial Department has had a busy season of late and has been obliged to purchase a new Auto truck to keep pace with the work. There are now two auto cars, and seven trucks and a horse and rig engaged in collecting salvage in Toronto.

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EUROPE

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SUNDAY'S MEETINGS IN VANCOUVER

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was rendered by the No. 1 Citadel Band.

Cosmopolitan Vancouver was much in evidence at the evening gathering in the Theatre. The humble poor mingled with the well-to-do. The large building was well filled. It required but little discernment to forecast a fruitful battle for souls. Mrs. Commissioner Hodder in a very heart-searching talk, touched sore spots in the lives of those who leaned on gods of treacherous and uncertain worth. Ensign T. Mundy sang with marked effect "Jesus is Standing in Pilate's Hall" and the Citadel Band rendered "At the Cross there's room," and, with power, the Commissioner reasoned with the unconverted of righteousness and a Judgment to come.

As our country warmed to his subject conviction deepened in the hearts of many. Countenances revealed the inner working of the soul struggling to a definite decision. Turbulent emotions

struggled for mastery. Christ or Mammon— which? Carefully and skilfully the net was spread out. Appeals were tenderly given and in response and in addition to those who had already sought the God during the day others were led into the Kingdom. Out of darkness into light. Reluctant to relinquish from his grip the souls kept in bondage, the enemy arrayed all his resources but such was the onslaught made that three or three precious seekers were brought to the Master's feet for forgiveness and cleansing.

Even when the doxology had been sung at a late hour a number of Salvationists were still to be seen dealing with men and women reluctant to yield and a precious sight was that of Commissioner and Mrs. Hodder, and Colonel Unsworth kneeling on the ground outside of the Theatre, pleading with a young man who would not surrender.

—W. R. P.

IMPRESSIONS OF THE FALL CONGRESSES

By Captain Frank Canon

(Continued from column 6, page 7)

IF I intended to spend an ideal holiday I should expect at least four things to contribute to it: Rest, good food, a bracing atmosphere, and healthful exercise.

I think many of us who attended this year's Congress in Vancouver felt we needed a spiritual holiday. We

with the beverage of most apt illustrations, almost all being drawn from actual everyday experience. And all food was spiced by numerous touches of good humor. Oh how we masticated this food! How we drank in the illustrations! How we enjoyed the piquant humor!

THE OFFICERS' COUNCILS

By Lieutenant-Colonel Taylor, the Field Secretary

IT is fortunate that the Officers' Councils have been held so soon after the arrival of our new Leaders in Canada West, thus giving them the opportunity of meeting face to face and becoming personally acquainted with practically every Officer in the Territory.

What this meant to the Officers, especially to those stationed far off the beaten track, can hardly be realized. Before, it was a War Cry acquaintanceship, but these Councils so rich in blessing and practical helpfulness, followed by personal interviews, have given a heart to heart acquaintanceship which will be invaluable in the coming days. Any loss of the inspiration of larger numbers through dividing and holding the Congress at three centres, was more than met by the close-up, family like spirit that pervaded the Officers' gatherings.

The glad, happy spirit of the Officers, radiating love, confidence and expectancy created a favorable atmosphere, and literally drew out the best that was in our Leaders who spoke with a freedom and directness that could hardly be surpassed. There was no merciless raking bare of weaknesses, failures and shortcomings, but standards of life and service were so presented that all caught a clearer vision of the POSSIBLE, and inwardly resolved, at whatever cost, to rise to higher things.

"I" cried one as he knelt before God, "it's the picture—the picture of what I MIGHT have done."

And after all, is that not the saving influence in our lives—the picture of what we MIGHT BE and what we MIGHT DO? We see the desirability and the POSSIBILITY of some higher spiritual attainment, and the lower level no longer seems so low. So it is with the heavier tasks of life—the vision, then the accomplishment.

The presence of Mrs. Hodder was greatly appreciated by all Officers, especially the women, and her terse, pointed addresses will live and bear fruit.

Colonel Unsworth, the International representative, was a constant source of inspiration throughout the Congress, his open pouring of soul to God and upon the people will live long in the memory of all present.

came with faded nerves and with hungry souls, and we have had our needs wonderfully supplied by God's Holy Spirit through the instrumentalities of our Leaders.

1. We have been rested. We felt at ease as soon as the first Council opened. This was because of the very warm and homelike attitude of our Leaders. They seemed to sweep formality to the winds, and any barrier of embarrassment between them and our minds were rested, too, as we heard again the old truths expounded, reassuring us of the soundness of our principles, also, and the great need of our advancement and establishment of our dear Army.

2. Food. We received good food for both soul and mind. Simple and substantial—appetizing and strength-giving. There was the strong meat of sound doctrine. This was helped down

3. Healthful Exercise.—Good food fitted us for good work—and we revelled in the work we were privileged to do in the After-Meetings. Our opportunity was great.

4. Atmosphere! The Spiritual Atmosphere of the Meetings was most inspiring. Such an easy air of expectancy as we approached the close of the public Meetings, that there would be good results. Such an uplifting feeling in the singing.

Commissioner and Mrs. Hodder, and Colonel Unsworth! We have had a great Spirit, Holy, and say, "Roll on, next Congress!"

By Ensign Thomas Mundy
THE Fall Congresses just concluded have proven seasons of spiritual feeding and heavenly visitation which will leave our Officers and Army people, (Continued on page 11)



Have you despatched your order for Christmas "Young Soldier?"

About some of the requests made by the Editor during his "back day" business session to the Councils, and get busy?

And tell Corps Correspondents that we have a special affection for those who pack a lot of fact and incident into a hundred words.

What it would mean if every Corps in the Territory put over an increase covering MAXIMUM POSSIBILITY in the New Year.

Coming Events

COMMISSIONER AND MRS. HODDER

Winnipeg Bandmen's Council Scan-
dinavian Hall Dec. 13
Grace Hospital Dec. 23, 25
Kildonan Home Dec. 25
Winnipeg Citadel Jan. 1

THE CHIEF SECRETARY and Mrs. Morris

Bandmen's Council, Winnipeg Dec. 13
Grace Hospital Dec. 23, 25
Winnipeg III Dec. 31
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St. James Dec. 24
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McGregor Dec. 17
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Portage la Prairie Dec. 25
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Winnipeg I Band and Songsters

open their winter program with a Musical Festival in the Citadel on Thursday night, Dec. 14th.



OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Such was Granny Glason

A charming pen-picture of one of God's choicest children

By Sister Mrs. Lydall, Edmonton



THE HOME CORNER

Conducted by E. M. T.

A GOOD EXPERIENCE

I lean upon my Father's arm,
And follow Him by grace sublime;
In storm and stress I fear no harm,
Nor seek I aught in things of time.

I am His child, I know it well,
What joy and peace He gives to me:
To all mankind His love I'll tell
That they may His Salvation see.

One aim doth now my life inspire,
To spread abroad His wondrous
name;
Serving in love I never tire,
Prelauding still the Saviour's
name.

YOU WILL NEVER BE SORRY FOR—

Living a good life.
Doing your level best.
Being kind to the poor.
Looking before leaping.
Hearing before judging.
Thinking before speaking.
Harboring clean thoughts.
Standing by pure principles.
Asking pardon when in error.
Being generous to an enemy.
Being square in business dealings.
Giving a lift to those who are down.

NOTES

For Your Reference Book

A few drops of ammonia added to the water when washing flannel and woollen garments will make them soft and help to keep them a good colour.

When preparing a mustard plaster use the white of an egg instead of water and the plaster will not blister.

A kettle should be kept free from soot, otherwise it will take a long time to boil, soot being a non-conductor of heat.

During frosty weather all water-taps should be allowed to drip in order to prevent freezing.

Spots of grease on leather upholstery are best treated with spirits of sal ammoniac. Dab the spots carefully, allowing time for the liquid to act. Then wash with clean water. In the case of grease marks that are of long standing, the process may have to be repeated two or three times.

Simple, Easy Way to Mend China

A MOST simple and effective means of repairing china, glass, and the like, and one which will endure heat as well as water, is as follows: Rub the broken edges with a small brush dipped in carriage-oil varnish, and press them firmly together. If neatly done the fracture will be hardly perceptible, and will stand any amount of washing and hard wear.

SHE was old, bent, and frail.

The Army bonnet she wore was limp and shabby; and her uniform, though perfectly neat, was faded and worn. Her face bore traces of pain and weariness but at a word of greeting the sweetest of smiles would sweep over her countenance, breaking up the external signs of poverty and care bravely endured, and giving evidence of beautiful graces within.

Dear old lady Glason; an angel was in our midst and few of us knew it. Her home was a humble one. 'Just one room in a small house situated in one of the rather dreary, but respectable, districts of a crowded English city. And she was very poor. The pittance she managed to exist on was five shillings a week, just a little more than a dollar in our Canadian money; yet out of this altogether inadequate sum, a portion was religiously set aside for the Lord's use alone.

The ruling passion in Mrs. Glason's life was a selfless love, reaching out and embracing every creature, and finding expression in a multitude of kindly deeds. Upon one occasion her boots were very badly worn, and by dint of strict economy she had saved enough money to have them mended. But a War Cry made its appearance to her humble room, and it so happened that this particular War Cry contained an account of a famine then prevailing in India and a passionate plea was made for the unfortunate victims. The dear old lady with tearful eyes and trembling fingers hurriedly gathered together her little hoard of boot-money and hastened to the nearest Post office, there to purchase an order to despatch to the War Cry Famine Fund.

Was a neighbor sick? Then Mrs. Glason would count her pennies, and hie to the butchers to return with an appetizing chop, or some little dainty which would be likely to tempt the invalid's appetite. If the weather was cold and she found, as was often the case, the sufferer in a cheerless, fireless room, then she would slip home and bundle her own little store of fuel that the sick one might have warmth and cheer. Returning to her own cold and cheerless room, Mrs. Glason would set to work to scrub and clean in order to keep herself warm. Had a mother a sick child? Why, Mrs. Glason would be sure to call round

just before meeting time and ask so gently, "Would you like me to stay with the baby for an hour, while you go and enjoy the meeting?" And so the days were filled with thought and toil for others. No wonder the people loved her, and believed in God through her.

And she was brave. I have seen her upon a Sunday evening go fearlessly up to the crowd of young men who were to be found lounging around the public house, and buttonhole them in her sweet, motherly fashion. Generous in love and sacrifice yet fearless when reproving wrong. Such was Mrs. Glason.

The Army Hall, as the House of God, she held in utmost reverence and though younger people during prayer, might simply sit with head bowed, not so Mrs. Glason. Reverently she knelt, realizing the presence of God.

As the years passed, the worn frame became weaker and weaker, and at last after spending some time in a hospital she came home to die. It was my privilege to minister to her during those last weary nights of pain; and just a few hours after that brave loving spirit had answered the Master's call, a knock came to the door. Some one in distress had come to seek her assistance. "Yes," exclaimed her daughter, "Mother was always doing something for other people. She did far more than I shall ever know."

I must never forget the thrill of passion that charged my soul as I cried in answer, "Oh! Nellie, don't say that. Your mother at this moment is enjoying the full reward for all her deeds of sacrifice. All she gave in now returned to her with abundant interest. Oh! Nellie, tonight your mother is rich! rich beyond our imaginings!" And I thought of that wonderful picture by "Watts" hanging in the Tate Gallery in London. A man portrayed lying in his coffin. Around him are scattered peacock's feathers, a wreath of laurels, jewels and gold; and beneath is the inscription:

"What I had, I had. What I saved, I lost. What I gave, I have."
Lay treasure in Heaven. Life will pass away.
Lay up treasure in abundant measure, for the treasure in Heaven though men count it foolishness, shall reign with the sons of God, forever more.

ABOUT CHILDREN

I know two babies living within five paces against baby's cold. (The careful mother will use of cool chest douches at bath time, and the cleaning out of each nostril with a twist of damp cotton wool also help in this direction.)

Be sure and see to it that your baby is not a martyr to needless colds any more. You will reap the benefit one day!

CHILDREN WHO STOOP

If a child shows a tendency to stoop, keep him in the open air as much as possible, give nourishing food, and let him do some simple calisthenic exercises for expanding the chest every day. If you see no improvement in a few weeks, take the child to a doctor, for it is always possible that the stooping may be caused by some weakness of the spine, which may need special treatment.

THE real old-fashioned English Christmas was a monumental feast of good cheer. There were old-time delicacies, the very names of which are puzzling to our modern ears. Plenty to eat and drink was prepared for everybody, including beggars and strangers. The house was open to all. Every English family of any social standing seems to have possessed a individual inherited recipe for the famous English Plum Pudding. This dainty was always in evidence at such feasts, gay with its sprigs of holly and served in a dish of blinding brandy. Although it is desirable to keep up the old traditions of plum pudding with the Christmas dinner, it is wise to serve very small amounts of such rich dessert. More appropriate is a small portion eaten in the spirit of celebration of the day and with some consideration for one's digestion.

PLUM PUDDING

2 cups flour; ½ cup sugar; 1 cup bread crumbs; ½ teaspoon salt; ¼ teaspoon soda; 2 teaspoons of baking powder; 1 teaspoon cinnamon; ¼ teaspoon cloves; ¼ cup walnuts; ¼ teaspoon nutmeg; 1 cup clotted curd; 1 cup of molasses; ½ cup of milk; 2 well-beaten eggs; ½ cup citron, 1 cup raisins.

Mix well together and pour into buttered pudding mold, filling it not over half full. Bake over the mold tightly, steam two hours and serve with sauce.

CRANBERRY SAUCE

One quart cranberries, 2 cups boiling water, 2 cups sugar. Boil sugar and water together for five minutes, skim, add the berries and cook without stirring until they are translucent.

CHRISTMAS POUND CAKE

A scant cupful of butter, creamed, flour, 2 cups sugar. Beat egg whites of the eggs, beaten stiff, added, and a teaspoonful of baking powder sifted in. A teaspoonful of vanilla is added, the whole is beaten thoroughly, turned into a buttered deep cake pan and baked for an hour in a moderate oven.

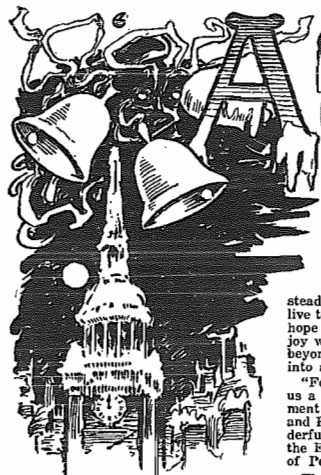
For the frosting, boil a cupful and a half of sugar in half a cupful of water, without stirring until syrup will thread when dropped from a tip of the spoon. Pour the syrup slowly on the well beaten whites of two eggs, beating constantly, and continuing to beat until the mixture is of the right consistency to spread. Then add a teaspoonful of vanilla, and spread evenly on cake.

Pound cake is, upon the whole, quite as satisfactory as the much richer and more expensive fruit cakes for Christmas, if it is carefully made and daintily frosted and decorated.

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MAN has been allowed to rise to great heights of triumph achievement. He has covered himself with dazzling splendor, conquered the mighty forces of earth, and measured the strength of Nature, made the wealth and majesty of the Universe his servants, at each conquest sending aloft a victorious shout, declaring a belief in his destiny and in the willingness of God for him to progress and achieve.

Even so, his loudest choruses grow insignificant beside the world-vibrating whisper, "A Son is Born." Those four words seem to be the concentrated expression of the highest joy experienced by every parent since the earth was peopled. The mystery of life, the inexpressible gladness of creation, fathomless mother-love and paternal pride are united in the victorious message that a son is born. Death is robbed of terror before the glowing fact that life prevails eternally.

Men lose faith in themselves as disillusionment shatters hope, past failures throw grey shadows over a future which holds no charm, and then, as though from Heaven, comes the news that there can be a new beginning, for sons are born to people the earth.

As the infinite is greater than the finite so is the joy of knowing that the Son of Man is born greater than the gladness of mortal parenthood. Knowing as we do that those whose birth we herald will all too soon grow impatient, forgotten before their task is half begun, we find it hard to express our gladness. How then can we speak of the Son of Man, whose birth has meant a perpetual gift to all, real to

our forefathers, real to us and as real to those who will come after us? He is a Son whose power can neither be measured nor limited, which grows instead of decreases, and which will live to the end of all things. Future hope lies at the root of parental joy where a son is born. They see beyond the helplessness of the babe into a future of virile strength.

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulders, and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."

The prophet could see beyond the spiritual darkness which blinded the nations, into a future of light when the Son of God should assume control over affairs which perplexed His people, and counsel them in the ways of peace and goodwill.

He rejoiced in the future hope. We may rejoice if we will, in present realization, for come what may, the central fact of Christ's life and death remains immovable. The Christ spirit was created when the angels appeared to the shepherds in the fields, and it has been growing ever since. His perfect reign may long be postponed. The era of love which His coming began might appear almost totally eclipsed—nevertheless a Son is Born.

The gift of life means responsibility. Were we awaiting the birth of Christ, expectant, inactivity might be justified, but His presence as the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace, gives to all who call themselves by His name a definite work to do. The Kingdom of God will come when His people have prepared the way for it.

From a thousand church steeples birthday chimes will ring on Christmas Day, in a thousand buildings words of gladness will be spoken, but many will hear without understanding.

To them Christmas is but a celebration of a doubtful historical event to which no importance is attached beyond arrangements of the calendar. The joy of those who understand must not be selfish, but rather must find expression in explaining to others His presence among men.

Christmas is the Christian's greatest opportunity, for the world is honoring his Christ. To Salvationists who stand in the van of the great army fighting beneath His banner, falls the privileged duty of proclaiming abroad the inner meaning of the Christmas message—A Son is Born.

There is no need to point out what prevents our fellow-men from understanding the message of Christmas. Selfishness is blinding them to the greater possibilities of life. In the struggle for a common good the spirit of sacrifice often changes into desire for personal gain, as we have seen during the year which is drawing to a close. The selfish humility of Christ would accomplish that which is now costing the nation so dear. Those who feel themselves least capable can prove to their comrades in workshop, office, and home that the Gospel of Christ is an everyday thing, capable of providing solutions for all household, business, and national woes. It holds no impossibly distant Utopia before our eyes. All can commence today the upward climb towards the ideals of Christ.

If Salvationists will proclaim this truth with clear voices and hopeful hearts the day must come sooner or later, when all mankind will feel the thrill of personal possession when the Christmas bells proclaim, "A Son is Born."

So, dear reader, whether you be a Salvationist or Christian friend, get busy. Opportunities, beyond the power of tongue or pen to describe, are before you pleading for action. For just the character and quality of service which you can render. Not only tell out with your lips the glad fact that "A Son is Born," but let your belief in it be shown in your attitude to life. Let all the virtues be seen in you, so that by your good works His name shall be praised.

In all parts of the world a great cry is ascending, and the burden of it is "Tell us the truth, that we may know God." Are you a teller? There is no grander vocation under Heaven, and never did a grander and more glorious statement fall from the lips of men or angels than, "A Son is Born!"

Prophecy of ST. LUKE 2. Zacharias, monk of his holy prophets which have been since the world began: "That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us." To us, men of the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant: "To the earth which he swore to our father Abraham: 'I that would grant unto thee that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might see him with our own eyes.'"

18 In holiness and righteousness, before him. All the days of our life.

19 And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways: "For thou shalt know knowledge of salvation sent his people by the mouth of their prophets: that they might turn from iniquities, and be sanctified."

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